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1. <u>Requirements for Deposit</u>

The sufficiency in the invention that relates to microorganisms, plant or animal cell cultures or the way they are used is proved by supplying information as to the deposit of a microorganism (the name of the depositary authority, the accession number given by the depositary authority to the deposit).

(Paragraphs 109, 120 and 430 of the Regulations on the procedure of drawing up an application for an invention patent, on examination and a decision making procedure on the results of the examination (hereinafter – Regulations)).

2. Time of Deposit

The deposit of a microorganism must be made before or on the priority date of an application. (Paragraphs 109, 120 and 430 of the Regulations).

3. <u>Duration of Storage</u>

For the purposes of patent procedure, the deposit is considered to have been made if a microorganism has been placed with any international or Belarusian depositary authority guaranteeing its viability for at least the term of the patent.

(Paragraph 430 of the Regulations).

4. Conditions for the Furnishing of Samples

No provision.